

JOHNSON TO BE LEADER

The Moses has been found who will lead the Oahu County Republican Committee out of the dreamland into which it has wandered. Sam Johnson is the man. None other.

"Not me!" said Sam, when he was asked about the thing. "Not me. I am a government official, and—well, I am a government official."

Sam is coy—but he will serve. And, indeed, why should he not? The one invaluable possession that the County Republican Committee of Oahu has is the bundle of traditions on "how to do politics" left to it by Lorrin Andrews of Shanghai, and Sam is the direct inheritor of those traditions. Lorrin used to sit in his office and direct—but Sam did the politics. There is not another man in the islands who has had his training. And when Sam takes the leadership of the county committee, he will immediately begin to do things.

That will not be a good hearing for the Lane little fellows who had proposed to intercept their Sunday School class into the breach, but there isn't really a single scholar in the lot who is sufficiently advanced to take the lead in the serious crisis that confronts the party in Oahu county at this present moment of time. Brother Jim Quinn would not do, all things considered, although he has had a very wide and comprehensive experience. He has, in fact, had all the experience that there is, almost. He has been on all the tickets, save the Civic Federation, and there is reason to believe once had hopes in that direction. But no more. It is Brother Jim to the Sunday School class now—and it will be the class to the woods if it ever should chance that the great public gets to swatting the pledge breakers.

THE PLEDGE BREAKERS.

Not a guilty man of the lot would get away, from Kulo up. Clarence Crabbe even says now that Brother Arthur Brown promised not to run, after he had been given his vindication. And that is a sad commentary on the faith that men keep—in politics.

Incidentally, while there is a settling of affairs promised in the County Committee when Sam takes hold, to the exclusion of all the little fellows, there is a most astonishing dearth of candidates for office on the Territorial ticket. They have named Kulo, the Lane little chaps, and everybody else has been willing to let it go at that. Nobody seems to want to go to the legislature, save Andrade and Harris—and Harris is probably sentenced for life because he understands figures. He is wanted in the House as a financier in the interest of the business men. And he is not wanted in the Senate, where there are already two distinguished financiers in the persons of Dowsett and Paxon Bishop, both holdovers. Andrade is wanted in the House, also, for the reason that he is a lawyer. And that is the extent to which speculation has gone on the legislative ticket. And yet there is a large amount of most important legislative work to be done at the coming session. Maybe it is the most important work that ever has been presented to the legislature, not even omitting the passage of the county act. There will be some amendments to be offered, it is likely, to the county act itself, because it has not worked altogether as it should in all particulars.

Then, there are the schools to be taken care of, and the prison labor problem to settle, and the matter of the importation of white settlers as plantation laborers to come up for consideration.

CANDIDATES WANTED.

Not a doubt that there will be much to be done—and not a man has yet ventured to whisper a single name for the senatorial or house ticket on Oahu, save the names of Harris and Andrade. It is true that some effort has been made to get Senator D. P. R. Iseberg, who presided over the last Senate with so much dignity, to enter the lists again; but Mr. Iseberg is not in robust health, and while he would make a strong run and a good Senator, it is not though probable that he will consent to make the race.

Oh, yes; Link McCandless will consent to run again for the Senate, if his boom for delegate in the room of Kulo should perish of spring dwindling—a contingency that the Sage of Kaneohe is by no means prepared to admit is within the bounds of probability.

There are three Senators, and twelve members of the House to be elected from Oahu this fall.

And, while the Republicans are thus wandering around in the darkness, all is not so serenely happy in the ranks of the enemy as the enemy might wish, perhaps. There is the usual fusion talk, but the Democrats are once more hanging back because, while they are few, they fear that the real Home Ruleers are fewer—and if there is to be made from the division of the dominant party, the terrified prefer to make it all themselves. They are not harmonious about making it, either. It is said that the good Dickson Trent is not persona grata any more with Supervisor Moore, and as those two represent about all the county Democracy has, it will be seen that matters have come to a serious pass when they do not dwell together in brotherly accord and unity.

DEMOCRATS DIVIDED.

Then, of course, there is the faction of the Brown Democrats, who may be expected to come out strongly with knives to stick into the backs of their own people if Clarence Crabbe does not succeed in compassing the defeat of Sheriff of Oahu for re-nomination. There is not so large a Democratic body in the aggregate that it can survive under much blood-letting of that kind.

Certainly it is a most unkind thing, when you come to consider it, for a

set of politicians to face in public and fight in private, which consideration has a tendency to give fusion schemes a bad attack of sickness even before they reach the stage when they are able to walk alone.

So, altogether, while the Republicans are not happily situated, and while the threatened domination of the promise breakers causes a sickly smile to illuminate the faces of the leaders, neither the Democrats nor the Home Ruleers can hope to profit much while they are in the position of being unable to trust each other.

And if Sam Johnson really begins to do politics after the Lorrin Andrews methods, he may be able to point the path to a measure of safety. Anyway, he thinks he can.

MRS. HARRIET WICHMAN PASSES TO HER REST

(From Wednesday's Advertiser)

Mrs. Harriet Wichman, beloved wife of Mr. Henry F. Wichman, passed away yesterday morning, after a long and painful illness. Mrs. Wichman was a devoted wife and mother, and she made her home an ideal one in all its relations. No one could enter it without being impressed by its beautiful and uplifting atmosphere. It was the embodiment of everything that was good and pure and true.

Mrs. Wichman had the power of drawing people to her, and of making them her friends. One could not come into her presence without feeling her genuineness and inherent purity of character. She had, in an unusual degree, that gift of sympathy which is the secret of friendship. It was these qualities of character which made her influence in society such a power for all that is good.

She was also a noble Christian woman, prominently identified with Central Union church, of which she and her husband were beloved members.

No one who was admitted to her sick room could fail to be impressed by her beautiful Christian spirit, her loving thoughtfulness for others, and her simple, childlike trust. Though often in great pain, she was cheerful, patient and uncomplaining. What an inspiration she was to her husband and children only those who were admitted to the inner circle of her home know.

Many far beyond that circle will remember her with melting hearts as long as life lasts.

The funeral services will be conducted by her pastor, Rev. Wm. M. Kincaid, D. D., at her late residence, No. 1314 Victoria street, this afternoon at 2. The remains will then be cremated and the ashes taken by the family for interment in the Oakland cemetery.

EMES PASSED CHECKS

FOR LOVE OF WOMAN
Soldier Edward Eames, who was arrested Monday for passing bogus checks on unsuspecting Chinese and Japanese small merchants, has confessed that he was the perpetrator of the whole business and that he did it for a woman, named Ross. Eames confessed to the police that he had sent for the woman, who refused to see him. This seemed to break the soldier up and he told all about his transactions. Eames became infatuated with the woman and spent his money on her. His wages from Uncle Sam as a soldier were too small and he endeavored to fill out his funds by passing bogus checks. Eames says he intended stowing away on the Alameda.

CONFIDENCE

said Lord Chatham, "is a plant of slow growth." People believe in things that they see, and in a broad sense they are right. What is sometimes called blind faith is not faith at all. There must be reason and fact to form a foundation for trust. In regard to a medicine or remedy, for example, people ask, "Has it cured others? Have cases like mine been relieved by it? Is it in harmony with the truths of modern science, and has it a record above suspicion? If so, it is worthy of confidence; and if I am ever attacked by any of the maladies for which it is commended I shall resort to it in full belief in its power to help me." On these lines

WAMPOLE'S PREPARATION has won its high reputation among medical men, and the people of all civilized countries. They trust it for the same reason that they trust in the familiar laws of nature or in the action of common things. This effective remedy is palatable as honey and contains the nutritive and curative properties of Pure Cod Liver Oil, extracted by us from fresh cod livers, combined with the Compound Syrup of Hypophosphites and the Extracts of Malt and Wild Cherry. It quickly eradicates the poisonous, disease-breeding acids and other toxic matters from the system; regulates and promotes the normal action of the organs, gives vigorous appetite and digestion, and is infallible in Prostration—following Fevers, etc., Scrofula, Indigestion, Asthma, Wasting Diseases, Throat and Lung Troubles, etc. Dr. W. A. Young, of Canada, says: "Your tasteless preparation of cod liver oil has given me uniformly satisfactory results, my patients having been of all ages." It is a product of the skill and science of to-day and is successful after the old style modes of treatment have been applied in vain. Sold by all chemists.

TRENT CANNOT RAISE SALARY OF HIS CLERK

(From Wednesday's Advertiser)

Treasurer Trent, who, by the way, has yet to do a thing that meets with the approval of the Board of Supervisors, received his customary call down at last night's meeting of the board.

Trent, it appears, has a good clerk who works hard and often. Some time ago he requested the board to raise his clerk's salary, the request being refused.

Latterly the salaries of department clerks have been raised with considerable frequency and Trent boosted his man's screw from \$120 to \$150 per month without first asking the board's permission so to do.

Last night the matter was brought to the attention of the board and Trent was criticized, questioned and unassisted. His action was branded as arbitrary.

Moore, who is said to have raised seven salaries in a recent week, declared that the finances of the county didn't warrant wage-raising, but rather a reduction of the same.

Trent explained his action by stating that his clerk was such a very good clerk that he really merited more money than he was getting and that as other good clerks in county employ were receiving extra remuneration, he had resolved to secure same for his man and to bring this about had taken the matter into his own hands.

The board generally was of the opinion that the proper way would have been for the Treasurer to have made a request to the board.

Trent then meekly hinted that there were several salary-raising incidents that he worried of which were not recorded on the minutes and of which the public had not been apprised.

This remark had a strangely withering effect on the discussion, which ended in the matter being referred to the Committee on Public Expenditures.

About the only other business of any importance was the introduction of an ordinance by Supervisor Lucas regulating hunting with guns. Lucas also gave notice that next week he would introduce an ordinance to prohibit the shipping of impure, unsound food to Honolulu from the Coast.

Present were Chairman Adams, Supervisors Lucas, Moore, Archer, Paole, Clerks Kalauakalani and Bufandean, Stenographer Aea, County Engineer Gere, Treasurer Trent, Capt. Sam Johnson, George Nawakoa.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

APPROPRIATIONS.

The following appropriations were made:

Fixed salaries, \$1670.
County clerk, \$225.
County auditor, \$120.
County engineer, \$250.
House numbering, \$200.
Keopers of parks, \$200.
County attorney, \$335.
Police Department, \$7535.65.
Postmaster, \$30.
Fire Department, \$3672.91.
Electric Light Department, \$771.50.
Police and fire alarm system, \$130.
Pall road, \$65.
Hawaiian Band, \$1862.50.
Road Department, \$1215.30.
Waiakala road district, \$915.
Garbage Department, \$200.
Koolauokop road district, \$272.50.
Koolauloa road district, No. 2, \$17.
Koolauloa road district, No. 1, \$4.
TRENT AND HIS CLERK.

Attention was called to the fact that Treasurer Trent had raised the salary of his clerk, Manley G. Hopkins, from \$120 to \$150 per month, on his own responsibility.

Trent explained his action by stating that other departmental clerks had had their salaries raised of late and as he considered that Hopkins was deserving of the increased wage, he had raised his salary himself and trusted that the board would look at the matter in a generous light. He had requested more money for his clerk once and had been refused.

Lucas said that if anyone deserved a raise it was the County Clerk.

The chair thought that the board should have been consulted by Trent before he took the step he did. He wished Trent had not acted in such an arbitrary manner.

Moore said that with the county finances in the state they were he did not see how any more salaries could be raised.

Trent remarked that he believed that other salaries had been raised, which action had not been recorded in the minutes of the board and of which the public was unaware. If he had not followed customary procedure in raising Hopkins' pay he would hasten to conform with the prevailing rule at once, but if he had only done what others had done, he desired to be sustained.

The matter was referred to the Committee on Public Expenditures, Lucas explaining that they'd all be working for nothing soon.

THE LAKE INVESTIGATION.
The committee appointed to investigate the alleged misconduct of Detective Lake, asked for more time, Lucas stating that he and Moore would have their report ready by the next meeting of the board.

ROAD EXPENDITURES.

A detailed statement of the amount expended by the road department for February was read. Payrolls amounted to \$11,620.51 and materials and supplies to \$2600.40.

THE HAULEA GRIEVANCE.

Superintendent of Public Works Holloway wrote, regarding the petition from the citizens of Haulea, relative to a landing place for the district of Koolauloa, that he knew of no government wharf or landing place in this vicinity, and was therefore unable to take any

action as suggested by the Haulea residents.

He understood that the lots mentioned in the petition have already been sold but that there are other portions of government property along the beach which can be used for landing purposes.

Paole will communicate the sense of the above letter to the Hauleans.

BAND WANTED.

Theodore Richards applied for the services of the band on the occasion of the Musical Festival to be held on May 3 and 4. The request was granted.

M'STOCKER ACCEPTS.

A letter was received from F. B. M'Stocker accepting the position of Road Overseer of Koolauloa, during the absence of Andrew Adams.

FIRE FUNDS.

Chief Engineer Thurston of the Fire Department, submitted an estimate of \$4675 for April.

NEGLECTED NUANU.

A petition was read from taxpayers and residents of Laimi, Nuanu, asking that the roads of that portion of the Laimi district, known as the Nuanu tract, be put in serviceable condition and that the bridge leading to the same be replaced. The installation of 3 or 4 arc lights was also asked for.

"We beg to acknowledge," went on the petition, "and do greatly appreciate the work already done to one of the said roads (Pali Avenue) but left unfinished, covered with stones and boulders, and not provided with proper and sufficient drainage, it does not meet with the requirements of a public thoroughfare."

A quartette of suburbanites who came with the petition said things about the Nuanu tract roads which were anything but complimentary.

SHARKS AND SUCKERS.

Lucas said that people who bought lots from land sharks and then came to the board for redress were suckers. Joe Whittle said that he wasn't a sucker and that J. H. Schnack, from whom he had purchased his happy homestead, wasn't a land shark. He had put him in the way of owning a home.

LOST HIS JAM.

Mr. Whittle said that the state of the roads and the bridge in the afflicted district were monstrous. Only the other night, returning from Honolulu, laden with parcels, he had fallen over a rock, smashed a jar of jam and drawn down on himself the ribald remarks and unseemly mirth of passers-by. He urged that the petition receive the board's early and earnest attention. It will!

A PAUOA PETITION.

A petition was read from the residents, taxpayers and property owners in and around the district of Pauoa, asking that the valley be given the attention it is entitled to, in view of the fact that the adjacent valleys of Kalihi and Manoa have steadily gone ahead with extensive improvements and large sums of money have been expended by the government for rights of way, etc., whereas in the case of Pauoa Valley the rights of way and materials are donated, thereby saving the government large sums of money.

The petition urged that immediate steps be taken for the extension of Fort street, making a horseshoe road in Pauoa Valley, maps and surveys of which have been completed by the government. A blue print copy was enclosed with the petition.

As soon as the board is in funds, probably in three or four months, the needs of Pauoa Valley will be attended to. Meanwhile County Engineer Gere will look into the matter.

AFTER THE GUNNERS.

Lucas called attention to the indiscriminate use of firearms by youngsters around the city. He spoke of complaints made to him by owners of murdered pigeons and other feather pets and said that it was high time that the promiscuous use of firearms around the city be checked.

He introduced an ordinance regulating hunting with guns, which was read by title and passed the first reading.

PURE FOOD ORDINANCE.

Lucas gave notice that next week he would introduce a pure food ordinance, the object of which would be to prohibit the shipment from the Coast of food unfit for human consumption.

At 10:30 p. m. the board adjourned until Tuesday next.

RAILROAD MEN WILL HELP HAWAII.

Every one of the railway passenger agents of the United States and Canada is expected to boost Hawaii's claims this year as a tourist resort, and there are thousands of such officials.

This is the hope and plan of Secretary H. P. Wood of the Hawaii Promotion Committee, which he submitted at yesterday's weekly meeting of the members. Mr. Wood stated that the annual convention of railway general passenger agents would take place in October at Atlantic City and would be one of the notable meetings of the year. It was expected that Mr. F. C. Smith, General Passenger Agent of the Oahu Railway, and a member of the Promotion Committee, would attend this session. Mr. Wood proposed that either Mr. Smith or the Promotion Committee lay before that body the proposition of the passenger agents entering a prize essay contest on the subject of "Why should Hawaii expect to be one of the greatest tourist resorts?" He proposed that \$500 be appropriated to be divided into prizes of \$100, \$100, \$100 and smaller prizes for the best answers, limited to 2000 words each. Mr. Wood said he had not yet thought out the details of the proposition, but he thought judges could be

selected from the best-known railway men in the country, as, for instance, Danahy of the New York Central, Simpson of the Santa Fe, and Hoberg of the Southern Pacific. The essay could come to the Promotion Committee, with the names of the writers in separate envelopes, together with the key-word to their identity, copies made of the manuscripts and forwarded to the judges.

The members of the committee looked with favor upon the proposition and it is quite possible the suggestion may be adopted.

"Just think," said the Secretary, "we will have all the railway men in the United States and Canada boosting Hawaii for us, and that will be quite an ad. for us."

The question of souvenir postal cards was discussed at some length, it being the general opinion that the examples of postal art as displayed on cards representing Hawaiian scenes were of inferior grades beside those from other countries. Mr. Spaulding showed an album of postal cards prepared by Mr. Kishi, manager of the Yokohama Specie Bank here, in which were cards from Hawaii, California and Japan. By comparison those representing Hawaii were mere daubs beside the artistic cards from Japan. In fact, those from Japan represented about the highest percentage in postal cards. The blending of colors is about perfect. The coloring in the Hawaiian postal cards is described as atrocious, and there is much room for improvement in the subjects.

Two cards showing photographs of local scenes taken by Mr. Gartley were shown to the committee. These had been made in Japan and were excellent types. Delicate tints, even in photographs, were shown to advantage. The cost of pictures made in Japan is very small, and with added freight and duty the cards are still very cheap.

Secretary Wood stated that he had obtained permission from the Bureau of Labor and Commerce to use the plates of Hawaiian fishes printed in a government publication on fishes in Hawaiian waters. It was found that several of these can be used to advantage on postal cards.

The committee has decided to make tabulated lists of people arriving here and stopping at the hotels, so that an estimate of the number of people arriving can be made. The length of their stay will also be noted.

The New York Central and the Pennsylvania lines are giving considerable space to Hawaii in their new folder issues.

Frank Seaman, of the big advertising firm of New York, in a letter to Secretary Wood states that his firm had sent a special writer from New York to Washington, a very competent man who was formerly editor of one of the leading papers in New York, to get in touch with the Hawaiian refunding bill delegation. He stated there was an excellent opportunity to get out a great deal of news matter about the islands, but the members of the committee did not feel inclined to have each work done. "So we only got out two articles on Hawaii," writes Mr. Seaman, "one being the story of the volcano which appeared in all the leading papers here."

Rufus J. Jennings, director of the California Promotion Committee, writes that the idea of holding a Pacific Coast Hotel Men's Convention in Honolulu this summer is a good one, and would not only do Hawaii good, but the hotel men as well.

On the Kinau there arrived from Hawaii a fine large piece of koa wood directed to Robert Shingle, and intended to be cut and used as the base for the cup offered for the winner in the transpacific yacht race from San Francisco to Honolulu in May. It will be sent to Shreve & Co., San Francisco, today on the Alameda.

It was suggested that on the night of the water carnival there be an electric parade on the water, in which the Japanese sampans could be utilized to advantage, these, however, bearing Oriental lanterns. It was suggested that on that night trolley cars, especially wired to use electric lights, would be a feature worth while.

The Ellefborg Company is expected by the next Alameda, to fill a long engagement at the Orpheum.

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Mrs. M. McShane, Hobart, sends this letter, with her photograph: "After recovering from a long attack of typhoid fever I suffered from a poor appetite and great depression, and was so weak I could hardly walk. Having seen

Ayer's Sarsaparilla, I bought a bottle and took it. After a few days I began to feel better, and after a week I was able to walk. I am now as well as before."

There are many imitations of Sarsaparillas. Be sure you get "AYER'S."

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NED CRABBE IS ASKED TO RESIGN

Ned Crabbe has been asked to resign his position in the Police Department because he is going to support his own father for the Republican nomination for Sheriff of Oahu county and has agreed to hand in his resignation.

Ned Crabbe, as everybody knows, is the son of Clarence Crabbe, former Territorial Senator, who was Brown's chief opponent for the nomination for Sheriff in the last campaign, and who would have beaten Brown in the convention if Governor Carter had said the word.

Ned Crabbe is holding a small clerkship in the Police Department, and has been holding it, so far as public knowledge goes, very efficiently. At all events, it is not because of any inefficiency or incompetence that he has been asked to get out. It is a matter of politics, pure and simple. Ned Crabbe, it is feared, in supporting his own father and thereby following the dictates of nature, would present a spectacle that might disorganize the Brown police machine.

CRABBE IN THE FIGHT.

"It is true," said Clarence Crabbe yesterday. "My son Ned has been asked to resign from the Police Department because he has said that he intended to support me in my candidacy for the Republican nomination for Sheriff."

"I will tell you the whole story, as Ned told it to me. It was a part of his duty at the station the other day to go into the Sheriff's private office and receive instructions relative to the service of some legal paper. Henry Vida was there at the time. Brown handed him the legal document, and gave him directions as to its service. Ned received his instructions, and turned to go out, when Brown called him back saying:

"Hold on, Ned. Don't be in a hurry. I want to talk to you. I understand, Crabbe, that you are supporting your father's candidacy for the nomination for Sheriff."

ASKED TO RESIGN.

"I have not gone to work yet," answered Ned.

"But you will support your father's candidacy?"

"That is my intention."

"And they tell me, Crabbe," the Sheriff went on, "that you are a candidate for Deputy Sheriff yourself."

"That," answered Ned, "is not true. I have never had such an idea."

"But it is your intention to support your father?" again asked Brown.

"Such is my intention," Ned answered again.

"That is right, Crabbe," said Sheriff Brown. "Of course you should stand by your own father. But, at the same time, I do not think you should be in the department."

"You mean the Police Department?"

"Yes, I think you would better resign. If you stay in the department and work for your father, it will be bad for discipline. The other men on the force will think that they can do the same kind of thing, and that will upset all discipline."

"Then I will resign right now," said Ned.

NEED NOT HURRY.

"No need to be in a hurry about it," answered Sheriff Brown. "Wait until the first of the month."

"When my son told me about this," continued Mr. Crabbe, "I asked him at once whether he had resigned. He said that he had not. He said Sheriff Brown had promised to give him a letter of recommendation, certifying that his work had been satisfactory, and that he did not want to hand in his resignation until he had received that letter."

"I advised Ned at once not to resign, to wait and compel the Sheriff to discharge him; but he said that he had promised to resign, and that he would keep his promise. And, of course, as he did promise, I want him to keep his word."

"I do not feel any bitterness toward Brown for what he has done in this matter. Of course, if he wants to discharge Ned, he can do so, I suppose. But I dealt fairly with Brown two years ago, and he has not kept political faith with me. And I am in the fight against him to stay, and I will beat him."

BROWN BROKE FAITH.

"Why, when I heard that Brown proposed to be a candidate at the coming election I would not believe it. When Brown was a candidate before, he came to me and asked me to get out of the way. I told him that I could not do so, in justice to the men who had supported me."

"Of course you can," he said. "Take something else. I only want to be a candidate this time. I want a vindication. I will not be a candidate again."

"What can I take?" I asked.

"Take the nomination for Auditor," he said.

"I am not a good enough bookkeeper to be Auditor," I answered, "but I'll tell you what I will do with you. Brown. After the primaries, I will not go and see a single man and ask him to support me in the convention."

"And I did not go and see one man," said Crabbe, "after the primaries. I kept faith with Brown. He has not kept faith with me. And I am in the fight against him this time to stay."

And there you are.

No action has yet been taken in the case of Captain Klenner, of the U. S. National Guard, who is threatened with court martial because the ranks of his company were stuffed for the last inspection. It is said, however,

that he will resign.